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TARDEC's Dr. Grace M. Bochenek Joins ESD Board of Directors

WARREN, MI — Dr. Grace M. Bochenek, Director, U.S. Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC), has been chosen as an Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD) Board of Directors member. The announcement came as part of the society's annual dinner June 12, 2008. She will serve a 3-year term alongside other prominent regional engineering community members.

This event marks the first time a TARDEC Director has been selected to serve on the ESD Board. "It's an honor for TARDEC to officially be recognized for its participation in Detroit's engineering community at large," Bochenek commented. "For myself, I'm pleased to be a part of an organization with such a rich history, and I look forward to working with my fellow members to further ESD's mission as we continue to strengthen its voice relative to technology, workforce and economic development issues."

As one of the oldest and largest multi-disciplinary engineering societies in the nation, ESD's membership represents a multitude of industries and related technical fields including automotive; utilities; construction and design; information technology; materials, chemicals and steel; and education and research. With several hundred corporate and several thousand individual members throughout the Great Lakes Region, ESD unites engineers, scientists, architects and those in related technical fields in a common goal — advancing and promoting the engineering profession.

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TARDEC Director Dr. Grace M. Bochenek was recently named to the Engineering Society of Detroit's Board of Directors. Bochenek, (second from left) discusses current fuel cell research with Gov. Jennifer Granholm (left); Paul Skalny,



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TARDEC/National Automotive Center Director (center) and Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI) in one of TARDEC's many unique laboratories during their Aug. 8 visit to the Detroit Arsenal. (U.S. Army photo by Elizabeth Carnegie.)

TARDEC is the Nation's laboratory for advanced military ground systems and automotive technology. A leading technology integrator for the U.S. Army Materiel Command's Research Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM), TARDEC is headquartered at the Detroit Arsenal in Warren, MI, located in the heart of the world's automotive capitol. TARDEC is a major element of RDECOM and partner in the TACOM Life Cycle Management Command. As a full life-cycle engineering support provider-of-first-choice for all DOD ground combat and combat support weapons and vehicle systems, TARDEC develops and integrates the right technology solutions to improve Current Force effectiveness and provide superior capabilities for the Future Force. TARDEC's technical staff leads research in ground vehicle survivability; mobility/power and energy; robotics and intelligent systems; maneuver support and sustainment; and vehicle electronics and architecture. TARDEC develops and maintains ground vehicles for all U.S. Armed Forces and numerous federal agencies.

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